IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF MONTANA MISSOULA DIVISION

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

CR 13-40-M-DLC

Plaintiff,

ORDER

VS.

CHRISTIAN DAVID WATSON,

Defendant.

United States Magistrate Judge Jeremiah C. Lynch entered Findings and Recommendation in this matter on February 25, 2014. Neither party objected and therefore they are not entitled to *de novo* review of the record. 28 U.S.C. § 636(b)(1); *United States v. Reyna-Tapia*, 328 F.3d 1114, 1121 (9th Cir. 2003). This Court will review the Findings and Recommendation for clear error. *McDonnell Douglas Corp. v. Commodore Bus. Mach., Inc.*, 656 F.2d 1309, 1313 (9th Cir. 1981). Clear error exists if the Court is left with a "definite and firm conviction that a mistake has been committed." *United States v. Syrax*, 235 F.3d 422, 427 (9th Cir. 2000).

Judge Lynch recommended this Court accept Christian David Watson's

guilty plea after Watson appeared before him pursuant to Federal Rule of Criminal Procedure 11, and entered his plea of guilty to one count of conspiracy to distribute heroin in violation of 21 U.S.C. § 846 (Count III), as set forth in the Indictment. In exchange for Defendant's plea, the United States has agreed to dismiss Count I of the Indictment. In exchange for Defendant's plea, the United States has agreed to dismiss Count I of the Indictment.

I find no clear error in Judge Lynch's Findings and Recommendation (Doc. 47), and I adopt them in full, including the recommendation to defer acceptance of the Plea Agreement until sentencing when the Court will have reviewed the Plea Agreement and Presentence Investigation Report.

Accordingly, IT IS ORDERED that Christian David Watson's motion to change plea (Doc. 41) is GRANTED.

DATED this 25th day of March, 2014.

Dana L. Christensen, Chief District Judge

United States District Court